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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:  
(VA)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 27-20 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

3 (a) The Adjutant General shall make such returns and reports to  
4 such officers as may be prescribed by the Department of Defense in  
5 regulations pertaining to the National Guard, [and naval militia,] at  
6 such times and in such form as [may, from time to time, be] prescribed.  
7 The Adjutant General shall (1) keep a record of all officers and enlisted  
8 personnel, (2) issue authorized service medals, ribbons and  
9 documents, and [shall also keep in the office] (3) maintain all records  
10 and [papers] documents required by law or [regulations to be filed  
11 therein] regulations thereunder.

12 (b) The Adjutant General is charged, in all matters pertaining to the  
13 command, discipline, [or] employment and administration of the  
14 [military establishment] armed forces of [this] the state, with the duty  
15 of: [recording] (1) Recording, authenticating and communicating to  
16 [troops and individuals in the military service] members of the armed

17 forces of [this] the state all orders, instructions and regulations issued  
18 by order of (A) the Governor or the Adjutant General as the designee  
19 of the Governor, for [the National Guard, naval militia and organized  
20 militia] the armed forces of the state, and [by] (B) the Secretary of  
21 Defense for the National Guard; [and the naval militia; of] (2)  
22 preparing and distributing commissions; [of] (3) compiling and issuing  
23 the [register of the National Guard, naval militia and organized militia;  
24 of] registers of the armed forces of the state; (4) conducting internal  
25 audits and investigations; [of] (5) organizing and coordinating the  
26 participation of the [organized militia] armed forces of the state in  
27 military and civic ceremonies; [of] (6) organizing and coordinating  
28 inaugurals; and [of] (7) managing the recruiting for the [National  
29 Guard, naval militia and organized militia] armed forces of the state.

30 (c) In event of emergency use of the [militia] armed forces of the  
31 state and with the approval of the Governor, the Adjutant General may  
32 [be] serve as the disbursing officer of all funds appropriated by the  
33 General Assembly for the expense of the office of the Adjutant  
34 General.

35 (d) The Adjutant General may [make such] adopt regulations, in  
36 accordance with chapter 54, pertaining to the preparation and  
37 rendering of reports and returns, [and to] the care and preservation of  
38 [public] military property [as in the Adjutant General's opinion the  
39 conditions demand, such regulations to be operative and in force when  
40 promulgated in the form of general orders, circulars or circular letters]  
41 and the administration of military personnel.

42 (e) The Adjutant General shall have charge and care of all state  
43 military property and all United States military property issued to the  
44 state, [of Connecticut,] and shall [cause to be kept] keep an accurate  
45 and careful account of all receipts and issues of the same. The Adjutant  
46 General shall [require to be kept a careful memorandum] keep a record  
47 of all public [military] property [on hand] in the state [arsenal or  
48 storehouses and] in the possession of the [several organizations of the

49 military] armed forces of the state and shall guard such property  
50 against injury and loss to the greatest extent possible. [The Adjutant  
51 General shall require each accountable and responsible officer of the  
52 state military forces to account for any deficiency in public military  
53 property in such officer's possession immediately after such deficiency  
54 is discovered.] The Adjutant General shall [cause] conduct annual  
55 inspections [to be made] of all public [military] property and keep a  
56 complete inventory of such property and the places where it is  
57 deposited. [shall be kept.] The Adjutant General shall require each  
58 accountable and responsible officer of the armed forces of the state to  
59 account for any deficiency in public property in such officer's  
60 possession upon discovery of such deficiency. The Adjutant General  
61 shall require each unit of the armed forces of the state to be inspected  
62 at least once each calendar year. The Adjutant General shall, annually,  
63 as provided in section 4-60, make a report to the Governor of the  
64 strength, condition and equipment of the armed forces of the state and  
65 of the expenditures of the office since the last annual report.

66 (f) The Adjutant General may adopt a seal for use in the office of the  
67 Adjutant General. [The Adjutant General shall require that each unit of  
68 the armed forces of the state be inspected at least twice in each  
69 calendar year and issue service medals and service records. The  
70 Adjutant General shall, annually, as provided in section 4-60, make a  
71 report to the Governor of the strength, condition and equipment of the  
72 military and naval forces of the state and of the expenditures of the  
73 office since the last annual report.] The Adjutant General may delegate  
74 duties to an Assistant Adjutant General or to Military Department  
75 officials as the Adjutant General deems necessary for the efficient  
76 operation of said department.

77 (g) The Adjutant General may enter into contracts [for the  
78 furnishing by] or agreements with any person or agency, public or  
79 private, [of services] for goods, services or property necessary [to the  
80 proper] for execution of the duties of the Adjutant General's office and  
81 the operation of the Military Department, including the performance

82 of federal construction contracting on state property, subject to the  
83 approval of the Attorney General.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	27-20
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To update and clarify the duties of the Adjutant General and to allow the Adjutant General to perform federal construction contracting on state land, subject to the approval of the Attorney General.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*